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THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN HAS A LARGER CIRCULATION THAN ANY OTHER MORNING PAPER IN THE DISTRICT OF CO. LUMBIA. SATUBUAY MORNING ..... JANUARY 22. 1876.

Ox the first page of this issue will be found the celebrated letter of Mr. Fish to Mr. Cushing, which has for some days past been the talk of both Europe and America.

PINCHBACK versus Eustis. A loyal colored Republican against a white Confederate Democrat. This is the exact question involved in the Louisiana Senatorial controversy.

A YEAR and three days have passed into the unnumbered centuries since the famous thirteen, including Speaker Kerr, sat down to dinner at Welcker's, and death has not claimed one of them as its own.

Most of the time of both Houses of Congress yesterday was consumed by the delivery of eulogies upon the life and character of the late Vice President. Elsewhere will be found liberal extracts from them, which will repay perusal.

IF Mississippi, with an acknowledged majority of more than thirty thousand Republican votes, cannot be reclaimed from the unjust, cruel and murderous usurpation of the White Line Democracy, the Republican party may as well abandon all attempts to preserve the sacred results of the war in the Southern States. EUSTIS, the new "Claimant" from the

Louisiana Democracy, relies upon the votes of a certain four members of the Legislature of that State for his seat in the Senate. Those four are among the number excluded from membership in that body by the Democratic or Fusion election returns This fact alone precludes the possibility of Mr. Eustis' admission to his seat. SENATOR MORTON'S Mississippi resolution should be passed by the Senate without

delay. If the investigation proposed by it is not made, the country will remain in ignorance of the atrocities practiced by the White Leaguers and Southern Democrats in their efforts to overthrow Republicanism and legitimate government in the THE Raleigh (N. C.) News says: "Blaine "and his allies have undone much of the "work accomplished at the Bunker Hill "Centennial." It seems, however, that

Mr. Blaine retains his popularity at home. At any rate, Centennial Gush or Bloody Shirt notwithstanding, the Pine Tree State Republicans have declared their preference for him as a candidate for President. THE Independent press and the assistant Democratic press of the country have had a great deal to say about the amnesty debate in the House; but have had less to say about Senator Morton's speech on the

Mississippi question. The reason for this

is that they imagine the country is not in-

terested in more recent exposures of the

barbarities of the Southern Democracy.

But they are sadly mistaken. THERE are few, if any, men in the country who have accomplished more satisfacof the Southern Republicans than Senator Morton. As chairman of the Committee en Privileges and Elections, and in other capacities of equal and similar responsibilities, he has for years stood the brunt of the battles that have been fought in their helialf. At this moment he bears the burden of the struggle in the Senate, and is the competent leader of the Republican majority in that body in the contest with the ex-Confederate House of Representa-

Wr. understand that the press dispatches sent from this city last night excused the House committees from any design to re pudiate the interest on the 3.65 District bonds. This will not do. Mr. Randall's explanation, which will be found in another column only makes the matter worse. The interest is due on the first of next month, only eight days hence, and barely time in which to fill out the checks. He knows the law makes it the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to pay the intere-t. He knows that he can only do so from money appropriated by Congress for that purpose. He knows that such an appropriation has not been made. He knows that it must pass the Senate after it has passed the House, and that such passage requires time. In short, he knows that his adverse report of yesterday was equivalent to repudiation in its effect on the market value of the bonds, whether the committee so intended it or not. He also knows that his proposition to discuss the guaranty is in itself a proposition under the circumstances to repudiate it. Why discuss it at all if there is no doubt about it? To doubt is to be condemned.

THE FAITH OF THE UNITED STATES.

There can be but one interpretation to the action of the District Committee and that of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives with reference to an appropriation for the interest on the 3.65 bonds of this District. That single interpretation is contained in the one word. REPUDIATION! We have too much respect for Messrs. Buckner and Randall, as well as for their Democratic confreres upon their respective committees, to suspect them to be guilty of making reports for stock-jobbing purposes. We have not the remotest idea that any of these gentlemen would knowingly lend themselves to the schemes of the gamblers of Wall street for a contingent pecuniary consideration. Consequently, we aver that there is but one possible logical interpretation to be placed upon such conduct as they have chosen to exhibit before the public in this matter. Their design is open and palpable. It is rejudiation of the obligations of the United States. It has been our sad duty on several occasions to charge the Democratic party with a latent desire for repudiation, but we hardly supposed it would have the temprity to expose that cloven foot before it had obtained full possession of all branches of the Government. Neither did we suspect that such a grievous political blunder would be made by such astute

politicians as Messrs. Randall and Buckner. In 1872 Senator Morton forewarned the country in a speech at the National hotel in this city that the Democracy designed to repudiate the public debt if they were able to obtain control of the Government. His indictment of the Democracy in that famous speech contained many counts, but the design to repudiate and ignore the pledge of the public faith was one of the most prominent. It was also well sustained by collateral and circumstantial evidence. Of course, the Democracy then denied the soft impeachment, and have ever since take off their bandages or go immediately in

North that they would respect and carry out all the obligations involving the faith and the organic law of the nation. But, what do we see? At the first possible noment and by the first practical method an appropriation is refused to meet interes about to fall due upon bonds to which the public faith is pledged in the following

words:

"The faith of the United States is hereby pledged that the United States will, by proper proportional appropriations as contemplated in this act, and by causing to be levied upon the property within said District such taxes as will do so, provide the revenues necessary to pay the interest on said bonds as the same may become due and payable, and create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal. sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof at maturity.'

The above is an extract from the act of Congress June 20, 1874, and upon that act and its binding force and effect upon the Government, Attorney General Pierrepont in an opinion recently given by him says: "Here the Government of the United States itself undertakes to provide the revenue necessary to meet the interest as the same becomes due, and to create a sinking fund for the pay-ment of the principal at the maturity of the bonds without regard to the failure of any

third party.' A failure to protect the interest-coupons of these bonds is either bankruptey or repudiation. It is not pretended that the United States is an insolvent corporation. No one pretends to believe anything of that sort. It has not suffered any other of its interest obligations to go to protest. It is true they are mostly protected by permanent appropriations, and, therefore, beyoud the reach of the arts of political demagogues and stock-jobbing lobbyists. No doubt the Committee of Appropriations would have dealt a similar blow to the Pacific Railway Currency Sixes if their interest-coupons and checks were not provided for by permanent appropriations, giving the Secretary the power to protect the Government's faith out of any money in the Treasury. The faith of the United States being pledged, as shown above, for the payment of these bonds, principal and interest, makes them, in every sense, a Government security. They have fifty years to run, and are exempted by act of Congress forever from all tax, whether Federal, State or municipal. Can Congress so exempt any bonds but those of the Government? Has Congress the power under the Constitution to prohibit a State or municipality from taxing a simple municipal or corporation bond. Did it ever, in any instance, assume such power? Again, these bonds are registered and are transferable at the United States Treasury

as are all other Government securities. Is

this the case with any other than Govern-

ment bonds? The interest upon those

which are registered is remitted by the

checks of the Treasurer of the United

States to the owners of these 3.65 bonds.

Is this the case with any but Government

bonds? In this light Congress is bound

in honor to appropriate the money to pay

the interest. As we have already said, the refusal to make such an appropriation is rank, flat repudiation. It is making proclamation to the financial world that the Democratic House of Representatives, the Democratic party of the country, intends to repudiate all financial obligations which are within reach of its power. It will be no excuse to say that it is only one of the arts of the demagogue; that it was done with a knowledge that a Republican Senate would put it into an appropriation bill and insist upon its passage in conference committee, thus leaving the Democrats with a record for economy with which to go before the country. The dodge will be too transparent to avail anything. What the demagogues in this instance will denominate "Economy ' will be read by the people "REPUDIA-TION. This District has been largely used for experimental purposes, it is true, but heretofore the experiments have been mostly for wise and beneficent objects. Both emancipation and negro suffrage had their first trials here, and were both prothings to be done, but we little thought that this capital would ever be made the theatre for the first attempt at national repudiation. If the Democratic party of the country expect to make any political capital out of this experiment, it will be most wofully disappointed. The 3.65 bonds have been purchased largely for the investment of small savings by the people of the North upon the pledge of the public faith. The small denomination of fifty dollars, in which many of them are issued, and the long time they have to run (fifty years) render them extremely attractive to persons of limited means, while their exemption from taxation and the low price at which they have been sold, make them the most desirable security in many respects that is obtainable. This attempt on the part of the Democratic House Committees to repudiate their national charac-

invented and the legislators who perpe-EDITORIAL GOSSIP.

ter bears with disastrous effect upon those

holders who belong to the poorer classes

of the people. It is a specimen of politi-

cal jobbery which will be very likely to be

The latest ticket out is "Blaine and Cowan." Some one pays a handsome compliment to the gentle sex by saying "there is something very pretty in a lady's glove this year."

"Adams and Bristow," exclaims Mr. Bowles, 'are certain to win if nominated." Let us see, the sound of that name Adams appears fa-

A burglar named Statkum sawed his way out of the Sing Sing prison the other day. A man with such a name has no right to be roaming about loose. Statk'im.

The stump-hole of the tree cut down by Washington with the little hatchet will be ex-hibited at the Centennial, provided they can move it without damage. The Democrats of the North begin to con-

cede that they are sadly in want of brains in the House; but of course they can not help what nature has not done for them. The Chicago Times still insists that Chicago

is the only city capable of nominating a President. This may be the general rule, but Cincinnati will be the exception this time. Civilization is penetrating the Yosemite val-

ley. A boot black sits on almost every crag and peak, and the plaintive voice of the beggar wells up from nearly every stump. The Memphis Avalanche says that Ben Hill served his country where the bullets were

thickest-in the Senate. How could he serve his country in the Confederate Senate? The inflationists have gained a Senator in Mr. Beck's election. During the Ohio cam-paign he folded the frail and tender rag child

to his bosom as though he were the father ofit. Governor Hartranft was, two years ago, the nost conspicuous political object of assault in the country. To-day the Opposition call him " a model Governor with whom we are all well

Owing to the impurity of the Brooklyn gas t is expected that the city will soon be in physical darkness. As it is already in spiritual larkness, it will be worse than the blind leading the blind.

As long as the North did not insist on hanging the ringleaders of the rebellion, we hope that out of fairness the Confederates will not insist on hanging Union men because they

Now is the time to organize for Republican work. Put away all party strife within the party; all personal political grievances, all spites and contentions. Let the soreheads contended before the whole people of the the hospital out of the way. Let the wishy-

washy, weak-kneed men either buckle on the armor in earnest or throw it away. The future is full of promise and the time opportune for energetic honest work.

The Tribune has an editorial caption "Court-

day find general circulation in reliable chan nels, it is about the only kind of "courting" the Powerful Mind can succeed in. The Democrats begin to look upon Blaine a supernatural personage; as a prime and sturdy Sampson among the Phillistines. We hope no force bill Deliah will rob him of hi

party confidence and strength. Rev. Bromley, of Massachusetts, says that baked beans are the "devil's food." Why the man is mad, for the fat, luscious Lima don't grow on the old man's farm. If there is any thing that will take the vigor out of a bean vine it is a long spell of hot weather.

In 1863 Governor Hendricks said: "I made no appeal to men to volunteer, as I would no say go when I was not going myself." And as this showed the little zeal on his part in putting down the rebellion, of course it wil make him a very popular Presidential candidate in the South.

Mr. Hill says in speaking to the Republican party, through whose broad magnanimity he o-day enjoys his politica! existence: "We ask you, gentlemen, to rise above all your animosities, and to forget your old sin." Well, now, this does beat Hill. Like a compassionate parent in punishing a child, the Republican party forgives them for opening the strife, and after opening it for striking back so violently; but to save its life it could not forget the old sin, you know, the sin (!) that saved the Union!

Authoritative Statement in Regard to Ex-

Speaker Blaine's Religious Faith. From the Pittsburg Garette, Jan. 19.1 Dr. James King, one of the leading physicians of this city, and widely known in Pennsylvania as surgeon general of the State during the late war, writes the subjoined letter, which we feel sure will be read with interest and which will necessarily be accepted as conclusive in regard to the interesting topic to

PITTSBURG, Jan. 13, 1876.

To the Editors of the Pittabary Gazette:
I observe that anonymous writers in various parts of the country are furnishing what they term "reliable information," in regard to ex-Speaker Blaine's family and early religious education. As Mr. Blaine's name is often mentioned in connection with public affairs, an mentioned in connection with public affairs, an authentic statement on the subject may be o authentic statement on the subject may be of general interest. I give it, therefore, over my own name, and from long and intimate ac-quaintance with Mr. Blaine and with his family.

I was a member of the faculty of Washing-

ton College when Mr. Blaine was a student there. He entered the Preparatory Departstant attendant upon the service of the Pres-byterian church, which had and still has the exclusive control of the college. There was no Catholic church in the town. Attendance upon church service was required of the stuents, and their absence from it was noted and it was said, and I believe it to be true, that Mr. Blaine never missed attending church a single Sunday during his college course. It was also true that he never was absent from a recitation during his whole course; and this boyhood punctuality must have followed him into public life, for I have often seen it stated in the papers that during his Speakership of six years he was never out of the chair for a single day. Mr. Blaine graduated in 1847, before he was eighteen years old, at the head

of a large and well remembered class. Mr. Blaine's father came from a well-known and distinguished Carlisle family of the old colonial and revolutionary stock-a family specially marked in all its branches for stric adherence to the Presbyterian faith. His mother, a talented, beautiful, widely-beloved and truly Christian lady, was from an equally prominent Catholic family, and this fact has probably given rise to all the unfounded gossip about Mr. Blaine having been a Catholic. No one knew better than his mother that he was a firm Protestant, for I very frequently conversed with her upon the matter during the last twenty-five years of her life, for the greater part of which I was her attending

physicism.

Mr. Blaine simply followed the traditionary faith of his father's family, and when, in his early manhood, he settled in New England he naturally attended the Orthodox Congrega-

or more than twenty years. for more than twenty years.

As a zealous supporter of Mr. Greeley in 1872, and a Presbyterian, believing in perfect religious freedom for all, it may well be assumed that I do not admire or approve the tone of political discussion that renders these details in regard to Mr. Blaine necessary. But since the question is raised, it is better that the ac-tual facts be fully set forth. All papers that have copied anonymous communications on the subject, should, in justice, copy this state-ment, the correctness of which Lam sure no one will dispute. Very respectfully, JAMES KING

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